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June 30, 2009

IN REPLY PLEASE  
REFER TO FILE: C-1

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF A PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT  
COUNTYWIDE CATCH BASIN CLEANOUT 2008-09  
PRIORITY A AND B CATCH BASINS  
VARIOUS CITIES AND UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES  
THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)  
(3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

This action is to ratify changes in work and accept the completed public works construction contract for Countywide Catch Basin Cleanout 2008-09, Priority A and B Catch Basins, various cities and unincorporated communities throughout the County of Los Angeles.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY  
OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT:**

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work for Project ID No. Project ID No. FMD0003101 - Countywide Catch Basin Cleanout 2008-09, Priority A and B Catch Basins, to cleanout catch basins, various cities and unincorporated communities throughout the County of Los Angeles, Ron's Maintenance, with changes in the amount of \$7,734.30, and a final contract amount \$87,744.30.

### **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

The purpose of the recommended action is to obtain the Board of Supervisors' (Board) ratification of Director of Public Works-approved changes in a public works contract and your Board's acceptance of the work of the contract in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the attachment are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contract to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Attached for your ratification are changes in work, which the Director of Public Works ordered for this project.

The project has been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept it on the date indicated in the attachment.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). Acceptance of this contract completes the work to improve infrastructure and enhance the quality of life in the affected communities.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The modification to the contract amount is an increase in the amount of \$7,734.30, while the total value of the contract is \$87,744.30.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of this contract by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for this project to cover the cost of the changes and the total value of the contract. A detailed cost breakdown for the changes together with a contract cost summary are included in the attachment.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

This contract for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in the work as described above and in the attachment are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

### **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

The contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of these changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the attachment.

### **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contract by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the contract, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

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**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works,  
Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

  
GAIL FARBER  
Director of Public Works

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Attachment

c: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)  
County Counsel  
Executive Office  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
June 30, 2009

PROJECT ID NO. FMD0003101 - COUNTYWIDE CATCH BASIN CLEANOUT  
2008-09, PRIORITY A AND B CATCH BASINS (various cities and unincorporated  
communities throughout the County of Los Angeles), All Supervisorial Districts

Contractor: Ron's Maintenance, 11542 Horley Avenue, Downey, California 90241

Project Description:

Cleaning of approximately 9,000 catch basins in various cities and unincorporated communities throughout the County of Los Angeles.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities	\$7,734.30
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Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 31, 2009, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$80,010.00
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>7,734.30</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$87,744.30</u>
Percent total change to original contract amount	9.7%

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